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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Derek Leigh JONES

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Serial No. 10/009,765

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**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please inform us of the status of the above-identified application. The application was filed on December 17, 2001 and was docketed on May 3, 2002 to the Examiner. Applicant respectfully inquires as to when a first Official Action may be expected in this application.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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